Abortion

As an obstetrician and gynecologist, I' ve delivered close to 5,000 babies and I strongly support the sanctity of life. I will never vote for any bill or support any policy that I believe will promote abortion. One of my first actions upon coming to Congress was joining the Congressional Pro-Life Caucus.

The President has consistently stated his preference for policies that promote abortion and it's up to us in Congress to fight him on these policies, and it's a fight I'm ready to have. I joined a number of my colleagues earlier this year in writing the President to oppose his action to overturn the conscience regulations and I oppose his proposed health care plan, H.R. 3200, because it would for the first time mandate publicly funded abortions. To view this letter, please CLICK HERE.

Technology like the 3-D ultrasound has given us windows to the womb that show unborn children as living, breathing, feeling human beings. I have looked through that window with my own eyes, which is why I am cosponsoring H.R. 649, the Ultrasound Informed Consent Act. To view H.R. 649, please CLICK HERE.

This legislation requires abortion providers to perform ultrasounds and share the results with the pregnant women before being allowed to proceed. It is my hope that by exposing others to this window, we will reduce the number of abortions performed. I have seen human development occur from the earliest stages of a fetus all the way through birth, which strengthens my conviction in the right to life. I believe that life is a precious miracle from God that begins at conception.

It's our responsibility and privilege as legislators to protect those who do not have a voice. I will always fight for the right to life because it is my conviction that we are all unique creations of a God who knows us and loves us before we are even conceived. I also strongly believe organizations that provide abortions should not receive any taxpayer funding, which is why I am a cosponsor of H.R. 614, the Title X Abortion Provider Nondiscrimination Act, which bars these organizations from receiving Title X family planning funds. To view H.R. 614, please CLICK HERE.

We must also make our laws consistent with our science and restore full legal protections to all who are waiting to be born. If government has any legitimate function at all, it is to protect the most innocent among us, and I will do my best to defend that protection.

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